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FOR AMBASSADORS FROM MATHEA FALCO, S/NM

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR

SUBJECT: COMMODITIES PROCURED FOR INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS  
CONTROL PROGRAMS

REF: STATE 76615

1. A RECENT INQUIRY FROM SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY HAS UNDER-  
LINED THE CONTINUING INTEREST OF THE CONGRESS IN THE PROPER  
UTILIZATION OF COMMODITIES FINANCED UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL  
NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM. THE SENATOR'S INQUIRY WAS  
OCCASIONED BY AUDIT FINDINGS OF THE PAST YEAR, WHICH RE-  
FLECTED NON-UTILIZATION, DIVERSION, OR NON-ACCOUNTABILITY  
OF COMMODITIES. I SHARE THE CONCERN OF THE MEMBERS OF  
CONGRESS THAT COMMODITIES -- AND ALL OTHER INC ASSISTANCE --  
BE UTILIZED FOR PURPOSES INTENDED.

2. I AM AWARE THAT THE DIVERSION OF NARCOTICS CONTROL  
COMMODITIES TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVI-  
TIES OR RELATED ACTIVITIES STAFFED BY THOSE WHO ARE ALSO  
RESPONSIBLE FOR NARCOTICS PROGRAMS POSES A SPECIAL PROBLEM.  
HOWEVER, THE CREDIBILITY OF THE NARCOTICS PROGRAM TO THE  
CONGRESS WILL DEPEND IN PART ON OUR ASSURANCES THAT COM-  
MODITIES ARE NOT DIVERTED FOR UNAUTHORIZED USES.

3. THEREFORE, IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU AND THE NARCOTICS  
COORDINATING COMMITTEE REVIEW THE MEASURES PRESENTLY USED  
TO ASSESS COMMODITY UTILIZATION WITH A VIEW TO TIGHTENING  
THOSE PROCEDURES WHEREVER FEASIBLE. THE PROCEDURES SHOULD  
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INCLUDE ACTUAL OBSERVATION OF THE COMMODITIES AT LEAST ON  
AN ANNUAL BASIS. FOR NON-EXPENDABLES A 5-YEAR LIFE OF  
COMMODITY CAN BE CONSIDERED AS AVERAGE. AS STATED IN  
EARLIER MESSAGES, SUCH OBSERVATIONS SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN  
BY EVERY AGENCY INVOLVED IN THE NARCOTICS PROGRAM AS THE  
OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF, REGARDLESS OF WHICH AGENCY  
HAS THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY. ADDITIONALLY, I WOULD  
HOPE THE PROCEDURES DEVELOPED WILL GIVE THE MISSION A GOOD  
ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECTIVENESS WITH WHICH NARCOTICS  
ENFORCEMENT IS CONDUCTED BY EACH UNIT ASSIGNED SUCH EQUIP-  
MENT. THIS INFORMATION WOULD PROVIDE THE MISSION IMPOR-  
TANT BACKGROUND FOR FUTURE PROGRAMMING AND/OR DISCUSSIONS  
WITH THE HOST GOVERNMENT FOR ANY NEEDED CORRECTIVE ACTION.  
APPROPRIATE RECORDS OR NOTES SHOULD BE KEPT ON FILE FOR  
FUTURE REFERENCE AND SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE AUDI-  
TORS. WHEN YOUR OBSERVATION PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN FORMU-  
LATED, IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD FORWARD COPIES  
TO S/NM FOR OUR INFORMATION AND REFERENCE.

4. TO ASSIST IN THIS EFFORT, COMMODITY PROFILES WILL BE  
POUCHED LISTING COMMODITIES AUTHORIZED FOR PROCUREMENT IN  
EACH COUNTRY SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE PROGRAM.

5. YOUR CONTINUED EFFORTS AND COOPERATION ARE ESSENTIAL  
TO IDENTIFYING AND CORRECTING ANY CASES OF DIVERSION OR  
NON-UTILIZATION OF COMMODITIES.

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